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SUBJECT: GOJ 1978 NOX EMISSION STANDARDS

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1. STUDY COUNCIL ON NITROGEN OXIDES (NOX) EMISSIONS OF AUTOMOBILES, PRIVATE ADVISORY BODY TO ENVIRONMENT AGENCY DIRECTOR-GENERAL OZAWA, BEGAN GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED HEARINGS AUGUST 18 ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF NOX CONTROL TECHNIQUES BY JAPAN'S AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS. HEARINGS TO LAST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 5.

2. COUNCIL COMPOSED OF TAKESHI SAITO (PROFESSOR, WASEDA UNIVERSITY), KAZUO IINUMA (PROFESSOR, HOSEI UNIVERSITY), TSUNEO SOMEYA (PROFESSOR, TOKYO UNIVERSITY), AND HIDEYA MIYABE (PROFESSOR, MEIJI UNIVERSITY).

3. COUNCIL PLANS TO HEAR REPORTS FROM HONDA, TOYOTA AND NISSAN ON TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT FOR REDUCTION OF NOX EMISSIONS. PLANT INSPECTIONS ALSO PLANNED. INTERIM REPORT TO BE READY FOR DIRECTOR-GENERAL OZAWA IN OCTOBER, AND FINAL REPORT DUE AUTUMN, 1976.

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4. AT OPENING SESSION OF HEARINGS, HONDA MANAGING DIRECTOR HIDEO SUGIURA SAID HONDA CAPABLE OF MEETING 1978 NOX EMISSION STANDARD OF 0.25 GRAM PER KILOMETER. HONDA TO USE CVCC (COMPOUND VORTEX CONTROLLED COMBUSTION) ENGINE SYSTEM TO ACHIEVE 1978 LIMIT. DURING TESTS, CVCC ENGINE REPORTEDLY DISCHARGED BETWEEN 0.193 GRAM AND 0.24 GRAM NOX. MITSUBISHI MANAGING DIRECTOR YUKICHI MOCHIDA ALSO TESTIFIED THAT MITSUBISHI WOULD MEET 1978 TARGET AND IS PRESENTLY WORKING ON THREE SYSTEMS TO CONTROL NOX EMISSIONS. OTHER AUTO MANUFACTURERS TO TESTIFY IN LATER SESSIONS. HODGSON

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